

THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
BIENNIAL REPORT
of the
STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS
for the
YEARS ENDING JUNE 30, 1976 and JUNE 30, 1977

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BIENNIAL REPORT

of the

BOARD OF STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2 of Chapter 141 of the General Laws, as amended by Chapter 9 of the Acts of 1966, the Board of State Examiners of Electricians as constituted under the provisions of Section 32 of Chapter 13 of said law, herewith submits a biennial report of its doings in the fiscal years which ended on June 30, 1976 and June 30, 1977.

From the first day of July 1975 to the thirtieth day of June 1976 and the first day of July 1976 to the thirtieth day of June 1977 applicants were examined and the results of such examinations are shown in the following tables:

Results of Examinations held from July 1, 1975 to June 30, 1976

<u>Examinations</u>			<u>Examined</u>	<u>Passed</u>	<u>Failed</u>
1975					
Boston	Tuesday	September 2	146	66	80
Worcester	Wednesday	September 3	33	14	19
Springfield	Tuesday	October 7	56	16	40
Pittsfield	Wednesday	October 8	18	8	10
Boston	Tuesday	November 4	94	64	30
Lowell	Wednesday	November 5	29	14	15
Boston	Tuesday	December 2	213	129	84
New Bedford	Wednesday	December 3	67	27	40
1976					
Boston	Tuesday	February 3	164	79	85
Worcester	Wednesday	February 4	49	28	21
Fall River	Thursday	February 5	29	12	17
Boston	Tuesday	April 6	244	131	113
Springfield	Wednesday	April 7	63	26	37
Boston	Tuesday	June 1	300	139	161
New Bedford	Wednesday	June 2	59	23	36
			1,564	776	788

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Results of Examinations held from July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977

<u>Examinations</u>			<u>Examined</u>	<u>Passed</u>	<u>Failed</u>
1976					
Boston	Tuesday	September 7	113	42	71
Worcester	Wednesday	September 8	58	21	37
Fall River	Thursday	September 9	50	28	22
Boston	Tuesday	November 2	80	47	33
Springfield	Wednesday	November 3	39	13	26
Pittsfield	Thursday	November 4	32	25	7
Boston	Tuesday	December 7	205	123	82
New Bedford	Wednesday	December 8	55	24	31
Lowell	Thursday	December 9	60	46	14
1977					
Boston	Tuesday	February 1	109	64	45
Worcester	Wednesday	February 2	31	20	11
Fall River	Thursday	February 3	22	11	11
Boston	Tuesday	April 5	258	173	85
Springfield	Wednesday	April 6	70	43	27
Boston	Tuesday	June 7 a.m.	181	77	104
Boston	Tuesday	June 7 p.m.	93	38	55
New Bedford	Wednesday	June 8	57	22	35
			1,513	817	696

EXAMINATIONS 1978

Examinations are scheduled to be held at the following points and on the following dates:

Boston	Tuesday	February	7
Worcester	Wednesday	February	8
Fall River	Thursday	February	9
Boston	Tuesday	April	4
Springfield	Wednesday	April	5
Boston	Tuesday	June	6
New Bedford	Wednesday	June	7
Boston	Tuesday	September	5
Worcester	Wednesday	September	6
Fall River	Thursday	September	7
Boston	Tuesday	November	7
Springfield	Wednesday	November	8
Pittsfield	Thursday	November	9
Boston	Tuesday	December	5
New Bedford	Wednesday	December	6
Lowell	Thursday	December	7

1977 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The following tables show the receipts and expenditures of the State Examiners of Electricians for the fiscal years 1976 and 1977:

RECEIPTS

<u>MASTERS</u>	<u>1976</u>	<u>1977</u>
Application Fees	\$ 8,975.00	\$ 9,265.00
*Renewal Fees	16,150.00	170,364.00
Issuing Fees	7,675.00	7,400.00
Duplicate Certificates	20.00	5.00
Certified Statements	4.00	2.00
Deferred Renewals	<u>430.00</u>	<u>170.00</u>
Total Fees From Masters	\$ 33,254.00	\$ 187,206.00

JOURNEYMEN

Application Fees	\$ 4,967.00	\$ 4,454.00
*Renewal Fees	11,895.00	164,470.00
Issuing Fees	1,731.00	1,767.00
Certified Statements	59.00	55.00
Deferred Renewals	<u>2,030.00</u>	<u>450.00</u>
Total Fees From Journeymen	\$ 20,682.00	\$ 171,196.00
Board of Electricians' Appeals Fees	\$ 40.00	\$
Miscellaneous		
Sales	26.00	
Total Fines Paid To Commonwealth	\$ <u>66.00</u>	
Total Fees Paid To Treasurer of Commonwealth	\$ 54,002.00	\$ 358,402.00

EXPENDITURES

Travel	\$ 7,229.02	\$ 9,922.39
Accounts Payable	1,896.98	2,453.61
Members' Services	3,000.00	3,000.00
Salaries	92,400.54	109,175.10
Accounts Payable		
Additional Clerical Assistance		
Accounts Payable		
General Expenses	5,384.90	5,719.63
Accounts Payable	<u>6,032.22</u>	<u>5,945.92</u>
Total Expenditures	\$ 115,943.66	\$ 136,216.65

*Biennial Renewals - Odd numbered year

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BIENNIAL REPORT

The following is a list of Board Members and employee changes as it affects the complement of the Board since the last Biennial Report in 1975;

Edward Powers resigned as Personnel Administrator, Division of Personnel Administration, June 30, 1975;

Ann S. Ramsay was appointed temporary Personnel Administrator, Division of Personnel Administration on July 1, 1975 until August 17, 1975;

Ulysses G. Marshall, Investigator, was appointed on a provisional basis and resigned on July 17, 1975;

Joseph A. Ross, Investigator, was appointed on a provisional basis and was terminated on August 18, 1975 because of budget restrictions;

Wallace H. Kountze was appointed Personnel Administrator, Division of Personnel Administration and by virtue of his office became an ex officio member of the Board on August 18, 1975;

Edward Allen, Investigator was certified from an eligible Civil Service List and was appointed as a permanent Investigator on January 5, 1976;

Irving Shapiro, Public Service Member was reappointed on May 3, 1976;

Janice E. Arciero, permanent Junior Clerk and Stenographer resigned on May 29, 1976;

Dr. John P. Manning, Acting Commissioner, Division of Occupational Education, Department of Education was appointed on July 2, 1976;

Catherine Feeney was appointed on a provisional basis as Junior Clerk and Stenographer on August 29, 1976;

Hugh Murray was reappointed as the Local Wiring Inspector Member on November 9, 1976;

Donald J. Calnan, Investigator, was appointed on a provisional basis on November 22, 1976;

Dr. David F. Cronin was appointed as Associate Commissioner, Division of Occupational Education on January 25, 1977 in place of Dr. John P. Manning, Acting Commissioner; and

Joseph A. O'Keefe, P.E. State Fire Marshal and Chairman of the Board, Ex Officio Member was appointed on March 21, 1977 in place of Joseph G. Sneider.

The Attached financial report reflects the Income and Expenditures of the Board for a two-year fiscal period from July 1, 1975 to Jun. 30, 1977. The total receipts for the period were \$412,404.00 and the expenditures were \$252,160.00.

The Board realized a surplus of \$160,244.00 for a two-year period.

There were 4,260 master electricians and 16,445 journeyman electricians licenses renewed by the Board through July 1, 1976 to June 30, 1977.

The statistical report reflects the number of applicants examined, the number of applicants passed, the number of applicants failed, the number of examinations held, the number of licenses issued, the number of licenses renewed and the number of Board meetings held.

The Board in the interest of reducing its expenditures decreased the number of examinations held from 21 to 16, effective July 1, 1975 without creating any undue hardship on the applicants who applied to take the examinations.

The Office of the Attorney General was requested to render three Opinions relative to interpretations of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 141.

The agency initiated steps to prosecute persons in the following Courts of the Commonwealth:

East Boston District Court - Guilty Finding
Boston District Court - Guilty Finding.

The Committee on Appeals convened on two occasions to review requests for appeal of examination grades and the Committee submitted its recommendations to the full Board that the applicants be granted a passing grade and that licenses be issued to them and the Board concurred with the Committee's recommendations and licenses were granted to the applicants.

The Board issued five cease and desist orders to corporations performing electrical work in violation of Section 1 of Chapter 141 of the M. G. L.

The Board Members made an on-site visit to a construction site to aid in their deliberations of a hearing before the Board.

There were eleven appearances by non-licensed persons or corporation representatives before the Board for informal conferences.

The Board instituted action that required licensed electricians to appear before the Board for

Formal Hearings:

- (1) Dismissed at request of complainant
- (2) License suspended for 1 year

Informal Hearings:

- (2) Letters of warning issued to two licensees.

There were two public hearings held for the following purposes:

- (1) Relative to proposed amendments to its Rules for Electrical Wiring in Massachusetts;
- (2) Relative to further proposed amendments to the Rules for Electrical Wiring in Massachusetts, proposed amendment to the Rules of the Board and proposed adoption of new Rules of Practice and Procedures of the Board of State Examiners of Electricians and Board of Electricians' Appeals and official forms for conducting hearings. After said hearings were properly conducted at later meetings of the Board the proposed amendments were adopted and the new Rules were adopted and filed with the Secretary of the Commonwealth.

The Board of Electricians' Appeals held eight meetings which included formal hearings before the Board relative to electrical work.

The Board met with members of the State Boards of Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont relative to having a reciprocal agreement with the State of Massachusetts. After several conferences the Board filed legislation to amend Chapter 141 of the M. G. L. to enable the Board to establish a program for reciprocity of licensing with similar Boards of other States.

The legislation filed became H. 66 and later there was a redraft of the bill and it was rewritten as H. 5698 to amend C. 141 of the General Laws by adding Section 2A after Section 2. The legislation was passed in the House and Senate to be enacted and on May 5, 1977 Governor Michael S. Dukakis signed the bill into law and became Chapter 163 of the Acts of 1977 and authorizes the Board of State Examiners of Electricians to establish a program for Reciprocity of Licensing with similar Examiners of other States.

Chapter 163.

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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-seven

AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE STATE EXAMINERS OF ELECTRICIANS TO
ESTABLISH A PROGRAM FOR RECIPROCITY OF LICENSING WITH SIMILAR EXAMINERS
OF OTHER STATES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court
assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Chapter 141 of the General Laws is hereby amended by inserting
after section 2A the following section:-

Section 2B. The examiners may license without examination any
person who has been licensed as an electrician in another state under
laws which, in the opinion of the examiners, maintain standards substantially
the same as those of the commonwealth for electricians. The fee for
licensing without examination under this section shall be forty dollars
for a master electrician's license and ten dollars for a journeyman
electrician's license.

House of Representatives, April 25, 1977.

Passed to be enacted, Thomas W. McShee, Speaker.

In Senate, April 25, 1977.

Passed to be enacted, [Signature], President.

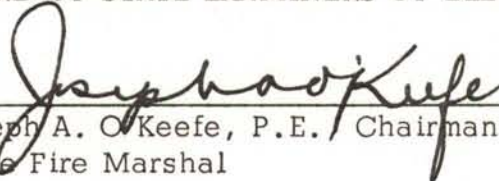
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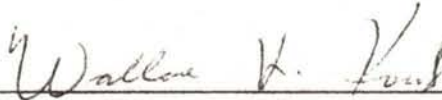
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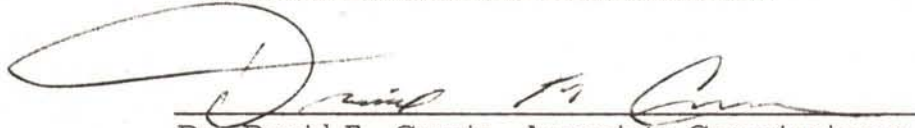
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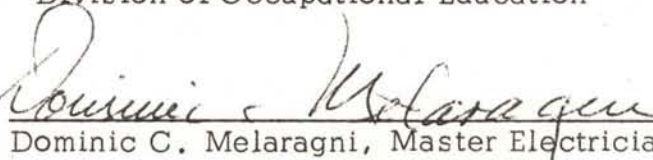
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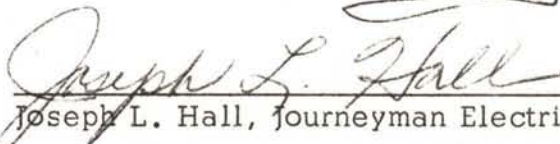
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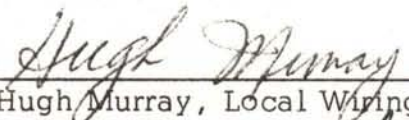

Joseph A. O'Keefe, P.E. Chairman
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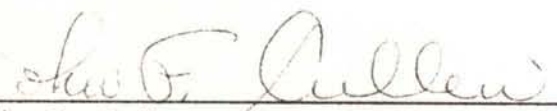

Dominic C. Melaragni, Master Electrician


Joseph L. Hall, Journeyman Electrician


Hugh Murray, Local Wiring Inspector,


Irving Shapiro, Public Service Member

November 1, 1977.


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